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PATRICK



St. Patrick Parish

Living Catholic Tradition in Nashua

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Kelly Lockwood, Rel. Education
Gary McDonald, Music Director

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Help for those in Need
Tel. 603-821-5267

Mass Schedule

Sat. 4:00 PM (Organ & Cantor)
Sun. 7:00 AM (Quiet Mass)
9:30 AM (Organ & Cantor)
12:00 PM (Organ & Choir)

Latin Mass (Extraordinary Form)
Sat: 8:00 AM
Second Sunday of each Month
at 12:00 PM

Confession

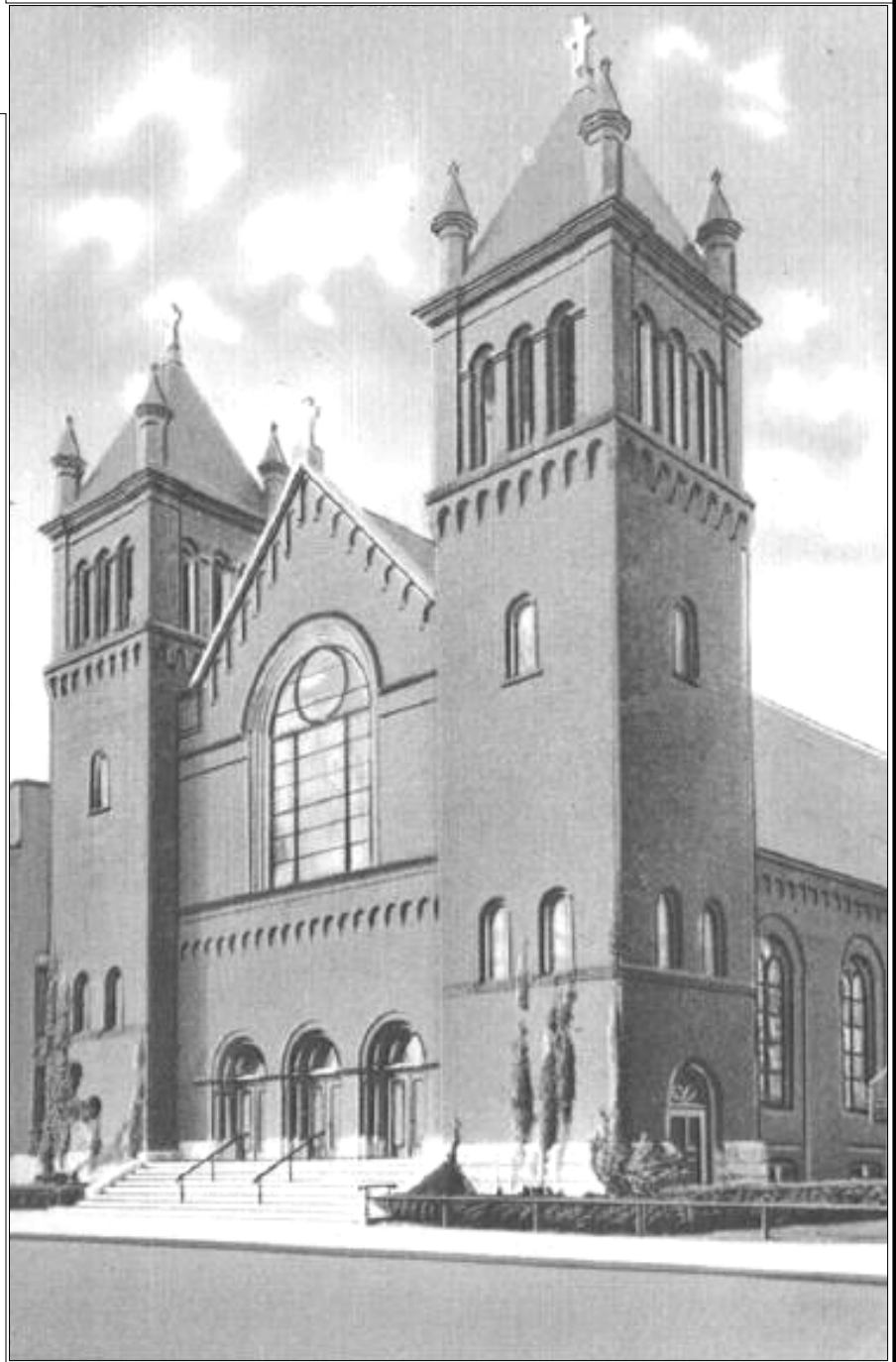
Sat.: 3:00 PM
Sun. 9:00 & 11:30 AM
Tues. through Fri. 11:30 AM

Office Hours

Mon. - Thurs. 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Fri. - 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Cemetery Office

Mon. - Thurs. 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Tel. 603-881-8131



**LITURGICAL CALENDAR
& INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, April 11, 2015 - Vigil ~ 2nd Sunday of
Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)**

4:00 PM **Tillie Waisolonis**
By her sister Mary Doyle

**Sunday, April 12, 2015 - 2nd Sunday of Easter
(Divine Mercy Sunday)**

7:00 AM **Joseph G. & Eva C. Fariz**
By the Family

9:30 AM **Matt P. Ennis, Jr.**
By Caroline Kemezys & Kathy Ennis

12:00 PM **Benefactors of the St. Vincent
de Paul Society**

Monday, April 13, 2015 ~ St. Martin

12:05 PM **Priest's Intention**

Tuesday, April 14, 2015

12:05 PM **Leona & Alphonse Huberdeau**
By Maurice Huberdeau

Wednesday, April 15, 2015

12:05 PM **Yolande Dobens**
By her husband James & Family

Thursday, April 16, 2015

12:05 PM **William Paré**
By Don & Terry Paré

Friday, April 17, 2015

12:05 PM **Marilyn Berg**
By Wanda and Mark Petty

**Saturday, April 18, 2015 - Vigil ~ 3rd Sunday of
Easter**

4:00 PM **Gordon & Ruby Hey**
By the Family

Sunday, April 19, 2015 - 3rd Sunday of Easter

7:00 AM **Mildred Perry**
By the Family

9:30 AM **Misti Bean**
By the Provost Family

12:00 PM **People of the Parish**

*Thank you for respecting God's Holy Presence by keeping mobile
phones and other electronic devices outside of this Sacred Place.*

GIFTS FOR THE LORD'S WORK

Weekend of March 28 & 29, 2015

From (214) Envelope Users: \$7,081.00
From All Others - Checks: \$1,084.00
- Cash: \$1,803.00
Electronic Giving Users (18) \$ 740.00
Total Collection \$10,708.00

Mass Count: 842

HOLY THURSDAY OFFERING 5/2/15
(Proceeds benefit St. Vincent de Paul Society)

Holy Thursday Total: \$1,225.00

Mass Count: 250

GOOD FRIDAY OFFERING 5/3/15
(Proceeds benefit the Holy Land)

Good Friday Total: \$597.00

Mass Count: 310

EASTER SUNDAY OFFERING 4/5/15

From (371) Envelope Users \$18,969.00
From All Others - Checks \$ 2,678.39
- Cash: \$ 2,494.00
Electronic Giving Users (25) \$ 1,065.00
Total Easter Collection: \$25,206.39

Easter Vigil Mass Count: 160
Easter Sunday Mass Count: 1,050

Flower Offerings
Week of 3/29/15 \$1,153.00
Week of 4/5/15 \$ 253.00

St. Vincent de Paul
Weekend of 3/29/15 \$722.00
Weekend of 4/5/15 \$594.00

THANK YOU

News & Notes for St. Patrick Parish

UPCOMING LATIN MASSES

12:00 Noon

Sunday, April 12, 2015

Low Sunday (Octave Day of Easter)

Sunday, May 10, 2015

5th Sunday after Easter

Saturday Mornings

8:00 AM

(Church opens at 7:30 AM)

April 18, 2015

Saturday of Our Lady

April 25, 2015

St. Mark the Evangelist

May 2, 2015

St. Athanasius

May 9, 2015

St. Gregory Nazianzen

May 16, 2015

St. Ubald

May 23

Vigil of Pentecost

May 30, 2015

Ember Saturday of Pentecost

LATIN/ENGLISH MISSALS AVAILABLE

Roman Catholic Daily Missals (1962 Edition) in Latin and English are available for purchase for \$50.00. Contact Jack McGreevy at 603-888-5824 for more information or to obtain your missal.

ST. PATRICK & HOLY CROSS CEMETERIES



St. Patrick Parish has two beautiful cemeteries located in Hudson, NH - St. Patrick Cemetery on Derry Road and Holy Cross Cemetery on Ledge Road. For more information on available lots, please contact Margie Gray at 603-881-8131.

ST. PATRICK PARISH MOST HOLY TRINITY RETREAT

St. Patrick Parish invites all to attend a retreat contemplating the wonder and wisdom of the Most Holy Trinity. The retreat will be offered on the following Saturdays: **April 18 and 25, and May 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30**. The final meeting will take place on the morning of the Vigil of the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity. All sessions will be held in the Parish Center between 9:30 and 11:00 AM. The cost for the retreat (including materials) is \$40.00. (\$30.00 if attendee already owns the primary reading material).



BIBLE STUDY!

Please join us on Sunday, 10:45 - 11:45 am. Monday evening lessons will resume in the Fall. The lessons use the Discovering the Treasures of Jesus Christ Bible Course and follow the Faith Formation Calendar. Bible Study meets when Faith Formation meets, giving parents and adults the opportunity to be nourished by God's word at the same time as the children and young adults are learning in their Faith Formation classes. All are welcome!

WEEKLY READINGS

April 13 through April 19

Monday: Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-3, 4-9; Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21

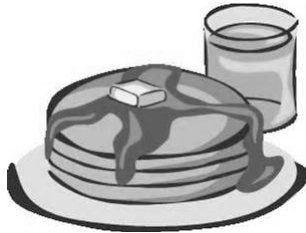
Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21

Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Ps 4:2, 4, 7-9; 1 Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48

**ST. PATRICK PARISH
FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM
4TH ANNUAL
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
PANCAKE BREAKFAST
SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 2015 @ 10:45 AM**



Join the Faith Formation Program for the 4th Annual Divine Mercy Sunday Pancake Breakfast at 10:45 AM (following the 9:30 AM Mass) on Sunday, April 12, 2015 in the gym. Breakfast will be served and we will pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy as a Parish. This Family Gathering Session is open to all members of the Parish. For more information contact Kelly Lockwood at faithformation.st.patrick@gmail.com.

**K of C COUNCIL 11907
REV. MARTIN T. KELLY SCHOLARSHIP**

The Knights of Columbus Council 11907 will be offering a scholarship in honor of Rev. Martin T. Kelly. This scholarship is open to catholic students who will graduate this year and are members of St. Patrick parish, St. Christopher Parish, or are the sons, daughters, grandsons, granddaughters (including step and foster) of current members of the Knights of Columbus Council 11907. The members of Knights of Columbus Council 11907 find it fitting to offer this scholarship to a graduating senior in Fr. Kelly's name.

To obtain an application please contact Deputy Grand Knight Rob Everett at (603) 229-7319. Applications must be received no later than April 24, 2015.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of the Sick is offered each Friday after the 12:05 PM Mass for all who wish to receive it. Unable to travel? Contact the office at 603-882-2262 to make individual arrangements.

CORPUS CHRISTI CHAPEL ADORATION

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday
12:00 Noon to 8:00 PM
43 Franklin Street, Nashua, NH

Parish BBQ Dinner
April 18th - 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM in the Gym
Save the date!!!



Pulled Pork, Chicken on the bone, Sausage, great sauces and all the fixin's, Catholic Trivia, Socializing and Fun!!! Tickets are \$10 per person, \$25 for family for a great meal & fellowship!!! Tickets will be on sale in the vestibule on April 11th and 12th. If you'd like to donate a ticket they'll be given to the St. Vincent De Paul Society or Thomas More so others can enjoy the dinner.

*JESUS, I TRUST
IN YOU.*

Community News

CORPUS CHRISTI FOOD PANTRY

The Corpus Christi Food Pantry is especially in need of - Canned Tuna, Jelly or Jam, Canned Fruit, Pancake Mix, Toilet Paper, Shampoo and Deodorant. We appreciate all non - perishable canned or packaged food items. Please drop your donations in the bin at the back of the church Vestibule during Mass times. Your continued support helped us to feed over 1900 families last year! THANK YOU! Please call Mrs. Susan Dignan at 882-6372 if you have any questions.

Life in the Spirit Seminar

The Rivier Prayer Community of Nashua will present a "Life in the Spirit Seminar" at Rivier University, Memorial Hall, (rear entrance) on Fridays from April 17th to June 5th, from 7:30 - 9:15 PM. Registration is at 7:00 PM. The seminar focuses on the basic Gospel message of "God's love for us", "Salvation in Christ", and "New Life in the Holy Spirit" through talks, personal testimonies and fellowship. For more information, please call (603)-889-3483.

EASTER FLOWER OFFERINGS

Below is a listing of the memorial contributions to our Easter Flower Fund. Please forgive any misspellings of names, as the information is handwritten and can be difficult to decipher. We thank everyone for their generous contributions. Your donations are greatly appreciated. Additional listings will be published in future bulletins.

Anonymous Donors

In memory of Pasquale Durazzano by Kenneth & Anne Marie Soroko

Donated by Carol Tetler

In memory of Joseph Gilbert & Therese Dushesne by Denyse Trudel

In memory of the Friends and Family of the Everett Family by Robert Everett

In memory of Philip T. Christ, Jr. by David & Kelly Shimmel

In memory of Anthony Grallo by Kirk & Linda Pomeroy

In memory of Richard A. Lovell by John & Maria Hey

In memory of Thomas Dionne by Michael & Lisa Dionne

In memory of William Paré by Mr. & Mrs. Donald Paré

In memory of Richard F. Hope by Patricia Hope

In memory of the Schaffner Family by M.K. Jones

In memory of the Gentile Family by Elizabeth Antocci

In memory of Gramma Keough, Bump & Uncle Jack by Jean & Kathy Tellier

In memory of Ron & George Boucher by Jean Boucher

In memory of the Palanski & Ricard Families by Kevin & Susan Palanski

In memory of Joseph & Helen Paladino by Pete & Linda Paladino

In memory of Br. Paul Forster by Joe Forster

In memory of Roland & Grace Levesque by Mr. & Mrs. Richard Levesque

In memory of Gloria Avril's mother, father, sister, brother & husband Bill by Gloria Avril.

In memory of Celeste & Euclid Boucher by Steph & Janice

In memory of John T. Sullivan by Mr. & Mrs. James DeVito

In memory of the deceased members of the Jacques Family: Phil, Elsie, Joyce, Tina, Steven, Phyllis, Kristie & Rich by Philip & Annette Jacques

In memory of Margaret Izzo by Edward & Mary Izzo

In memory of Wilfred Therrien (husband) & Mark Therrien (son) by Mrs. Irene Therrien

Donated by Sandra Peters

Donated by Bryan S. Pulley & Joan Proulx

In memory of Edith Morrison by Anne, Bill & Mary Reynolds

In memory of Gordon & Eleanor Reynolds by Anne, Bill & Mary Reynolds

In memory of our parents, Austin & Andrea Hogan & Thomas & Margaret O'Connor by Daniel & Judith Hogan

In memory of Tammy Sherburne Wagner by Mark & Patricia Sherburne

In memory of Eva C. and Joseph G. Fariz by Diane & David Walton

In memory of Ann Sullivan by Kevin Sullivan

In memory of Mary & Horace Herlihy & Mary & Roland Joyce by their children Mary & David Joyce

In memory of Donald & Catherine Buchanan & Joseph Zaverson by Charles & Barbara Zaverson

In memory of Caroline Elizabeth Hall by Brian & Sharon Hall

In memory of her mother Josephine by Diana Lytle

Donated by Mary Sarameta

In memory of Virginia & Stephen Proulx by Peter E. Proulx

In memory of Ann & Andrew Clark Jenkins by Mary-Gail Jenkins

Donated by Patrick Piwowarski

In memory of Paul Murray by Patricia Derr & Family

In memory of Mr. Albert L. Garant & Mr. & Mrs. Joseph G. Fariz by Mrs. Rose M. Garant

In memory of Fred & Betty Schrappen by Steve & Margie Gray

In memory of Lillian J. Williams by Dorothy Peabody

In memory of Pauline & Philip McLaughlin by Tim McLaughlin

Divine Mercy: Origin and Meaning of the Devotion

Devotions derived from "private revelations" rarely win official endorsement by the Catholic Church, especially by being included in the universal Church calendar. Before 2000, there was exactly *one*: the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, a feast and title derived from the mystical experiences of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque (1647-1690). Now there's a *second*: the Feast of Divine Mercy, which coincides with the Second Sunday of Easter, also known as the Octave of Easter.

This feast, which the Congregation for Divine Worship officially created on May 23, 2000, emerged from the mystical writings of St. Faustina Kowalska, a Polish nun who lived from 1905 to 1938. Without doubt, the Congregation acted at the behest of Pope Saint John Paul II, who actively espoused St. Faustina's cause. And please remember that until 1979 the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith (CDF) had retained a *monitum* -- "official warning" -- on the writings of St. Faustina and the so-called Divine Mercy Devotion. Two factors produced this *monitum*. First, some had seriously questioned St. Faustina's mental and emotional stability. After all, there is often a very fine line between sanctity and insanity; mystical experiences like hers are usually a bit suspect. Second, some theologians and church leaders feared that the heavy emphasis on the Divine Mercy would upset the delicate balance between God's mercy and justice, thereby encouraging belief in something akin to universal salvation.

With the election of Karol Wojtyla as Pope John Paul II in 1978, the fortunes of St. Faustina and the Divine Mercy Devotion improved immensely. In 1979, the CDF removed its *monitum* and the Divine Mercy Devotion emerged from the shadows and became very popular.

Was Pope Saint John Paul II just rescuing a fellow Pole from the clutches of the ecclesial bureaucracy? Maybe so. But his real motive was his own deep affinity with the theology and spirituality of the Divine Mercy Devotion.

From the theological standpoint, the Divine Mercy Devotion understands God *primarily* as mercy. As such, God is equated with Love, which always moves beyond Self to embrace and save the Other, even when the Other resists or fails to respond to the love. Interestingly enough, this type of Divine Love has a feminine quality. Pope Saint John Paul II elucidated this point in his encyclical *Rich in Mercy*, which appeared in 1980. In footnote 52 he reflected on the Hebrew word *rahamin*, translated as *mercy*. "*Rahamin*," he wrote, "denotes the love of a mother. From the deep and original bond -- indeed unity -- that links a mother to her child there springs a particular relationship to the child. Of this love one can say it is completely gratuitous, not merited, and in that aspect it constitutes an interior necessity: an exigency of the heart." This feminine form of Divine Love helps us to understand why St. Faustina occasionally prayed like this: "Jesus, living Host, You are my Mother, you are my all... I will share everything with You, as a child with its loving mother."

This proclamation of Divine Mercy as the parental compassion of God arose at a time of great suffering in Europe, especially in Poland. With the eruption of World War II, many believed that God had become remote and uncaring, impervious to human suffering. God was seen only as a cruel judge, a nasty potentate. By contrast, the Divine Mercy Devotion stressed that God -- in and through the Person of Jesus Christ -- enters deeply into all human suffering, bringing healing and transformation. The Divine Mercy Devotion fostered two things: first, hope in God's power to save; and second, a sense of solidarity among all people, sinners and saints alike.

Fr. Michael Kerper